One incident was reported of a Chinese father who tried to drown his first child, a girl. The Siaton Chinese believed if their first child were a female their business would be unsuccessful. This Chinese was jailed and every Sunday, for one month, tied, whipped and driven around the poblacion by the Guardia Civil to be taunted by the populace. He later left the poblacion having "lost face."

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Every February (Chinese New Year) the Chinese merchants in Siaton poblacion would hold a gala celebration. They closed their stores and met to feast and frolic. Prominent poblacion officials were sent baskets of food and fruit and some were invited to Chinese homes for an elaborate dinner.

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Lucas Ege Founds Barrio Caticugan

The first reference to Lucas Ege, founder of Barrio Caticugan, is his election as capitan in 1859.[66] His grandson, still living, said Lucas was born in the locality of Siaton but he did not know the birthplace of Ege's father. The land where Barrio Caticugan is now situated (not including Naga, Dangola, and Talo-ot) was owned by Father Celestino Romero, priest of Siaton parish. Romero succeeded Mezquita; the exact date is not known but it was before 1856.[67]

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[66] Capitan Kinkito was followed by Celestino Makagig (1841-42); Rosindo Kinamot (1843-44); Gabriel Kibotkibot, nicknamed "Antoy" (1845-46); Pedro Macolbacol, nicknamed "Padugo" (1847-48); Francisco Ege, nicknamed "Iton" (1853-54); Felipe Nacapanas, nicknamed "Anyag" (1855-56); Rosindo Kinamot, nicknamed "Balangka" (1857-58) and Lucas Ege (1859-60). These family names are still common in Siaton.

[67] Ruiz, op. cit., p. 151.